



Julie A. Freischlag, M.D.

Clinical Interests

Professor Julie Freischlag is a vascular surgeon and an international expert in the diagnosis and treatment of thoracic outlet syndrome (TOS).

The condition occurs when nerves or blood vessels running from the neck into the arms become compressed, leading to pain, sensation or mobility issues in the upper extremities and, in some cases, dangerous blood clots. Trauma, repetitive use, exertion or congenital conditions can trigger the syndrome.

Freischlag and her clinical team provide complete TOS evaluations and treatment plans, which can involve physical therapy, pain management and/or surgery.

Research/Academic Interests

Dean and Vice Chancellor Freischlag oversees the academic, research and clinical programs of UC Davis Health System, including its School of Medicine, Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing, 1,000-member physician practice group and the 619-bed UC Davis Medical Center.

Before coming to UC Davis, Freischlag was professor, chair of surgery and surgeon-in-chief at Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions. Prior to Johns Hopkins, she was professor and chief of vascular surgery at UCLA.

Her national leadership includes serving as secretary of the board of governors and presently as chair of the board of regents of the American College of Surgeons. She is immediate past president of the Society for Vascular Surgery and a past president of the Association of Veterans Administration Surgeons and the Society of Surgical Chairs. Currently, she is the editor of JAMA Surgery and an editorial board member for other prestigious journals.

A leader in finding new treatments for vascular disorders, Freischlag has published more than 200 manuscripts, abstracts and book chapters on TOS, abdominal aortic aneurysms, carotid artery disease and peripheral vascular disease. She is developing a national registry of treatments and outcomes for TOS patients and is the national principal investigator of the OVER (Open Versus Endovascular Repair) trial of abdominal aortic aneurysms.

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Honors and Awards	Diversity Award, 2013 Presidential Citation Award, 2013 Nina Starr Braunwald Award, 2010



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"10 Most Powerful Moms in Health Care", 2010

America's Top Doctors, 2010

Distinguished Alumnae of the Year, 2007

Honorary Member, 2007

Honorary Member, 2007

Top 100 Women in Maryland, 2006

Lifetime Achievement Award, 2006

Visiting Professor Award, 2001

Distinguished Member Award, 2000

Select Recent Publications

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